schedule as approved by the Director General of Civil Aviation, Qatar Airways are authorised to operate to/from India as per following details:

Sector	Frequency per week
Doha-Mumbai *vice versa*	6
Doha Thiruvananthapuram *Vice Versa*	7
Doha-Hyderabad *vice versa*	3

Concessional fare on Delhi-Nagpur-Raipur sector

†1957. SHRI JHUMUK LAL BHENDIA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state·

(a) whether there is any scheme to declare special concessional fares on route for Delhi-Nagpur-Raipur where Indian Airlines is the only service providers;

(b) if so, by when, it is going to be implemented and if not, the reasons for depriving the passengers of this route from this facility; and

(c) whether any other Airlines are also interested in providing services on this route and if so, by when this service is scheduled to be started?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK): (a) No, Sir

(b) Indian Airlines introduces promotional fares on certain domestic sectors from time to time in response to market requirements. The market considerations on flights on this sector do not justify introduction of promotional fares.

(c) No other airline has evinced interest in providing services on this route.

Hike in Airfares

1958. DR. ALLADI P. RAJKUMAR: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether consequent to hike in the price of aviation fuel and high sales tax on fuel, domestic airlines are all set to raise passenger fares;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.